

Species: BLUE JAY

Record No. 477-83-08

Location: McMINNVILLE, YAMHILL CO.

Date(s): OCT. 30 - DEC. 27, 1983

Observers	details	slides	prints	tapes
<u>Rob FERGUS</u>	<u>A</u>			

Specimen no. & location \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted 9-0

verified \_\_\_\_\_

Single rept. sighting ✓

Multiple rept. sighting \_\_\_\_\_

Not accepted \_\_\_\_\_

origin questionable \_\_\_\_\_

exotic not estab. \_\_\_\_\_

Records split \_\_\_\_\_

Records combined \_\_\_\_\_

### Disposition

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Date observer(s) notified: JAN. 9, 1986

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rec'd 3-20-85

BLUE JAY (*Cyanocitta cristata*)

date: December 27, 1983

location: McMinnville, Yamhill Co., Oregon

observers: Rob Fergus- reporting observer  
Gary Fergus-

This bird was first seen in mid-November, I didn't see it until the above mentioned date. After two hours of searching, we finally found the bird in the small yard adjacent to the rest home behind the Payless. I first located it by its loud "jay" call. It then hopped into view on top of a low bush. I easily noted its characteristics. The upperparts were mainly blue, the back being all light blue without brownish patch of Scrub Jay or dark blue of Steller's Jay. The wings and tail were barred blue and black with white on the tips of the outer tail feathers, several tertials and forming an obvious wing bar on the wing coverts. The underparts were white, with a black necklace on the breast. The throat and auricular were white with the black of the necklace continuing up to border them. The lores were black, eyering white and of course there was the blue crest. In flight, this birds paler blue coloration and white patches on the wings and tail were quite striking and different from the Scrub Jays in the same area.

Though I had never seen a Blue Jay before, I have seen another one since then and am positive of the identification of this bird (how couldn't you be?).

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